

Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

April 27, 2021

Chairman Wilsie called the virtual Zoom meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Wilsie, Sutich, Entze and Nelson, F/Chief Doan, A/Chiefs Watson, Meyer, Bjurstrom and Johnson and EA VanderVaate.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioners Entze and Nelson moved and seconded approval of agenda as presented. With no further discussion, the MOTION CARRIED by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMISSIONER ABSENCE

Commissioners Sutich and Nelson moved to excuse Commissioner Urvina's absence from today's meeting. With no further discussion, the MOTION CARRIED by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS

MINUTES AND BLANKET VOUCHERS

Commissioners Sutich and Entze moved and seconded approval of Minutes of the April 13, 2021 meeting. With no further discussion, the MOTION CARRIED by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners Nelson and Sutich moved and seconded approval of the accounts payable vouchers as set forth in the agenda for a total consideration of \$324,227.15. With no further discussion, the MOTION CARRIED by unanimous roll call vote.

LOCAL 3390 REPORTS

CHIEFS REPORTS

Chief Eric Watson reported:

- Paying bid closes May 4, 2021, he will bring bid results to the Board for action at the May 11, 2021 Board meeting
- Generator/automatic transfer switch bid closes May 20, 2021, he will bring bid results to the Board for action at the May 25, 2021 Board meeting

Chief Todd Meyer reported:

Two individuals have been selected for promotion, Nick Langlow to the position of Battalion Chief and Patrick Phillips to the position of Lieutenant

- There is a promotional testing process coming up to establish next year's lists
- Entry level new hires are doing well at Bates' fire academy
- Four lateral candidates are scheduled to begin work on July 6, 2021

Chief John Johnson reported:

- COVID case numbers continue to climb, case rate has to be below 200 to move to Phase 3, Pierce County is currently at 256.8
- Retired Chief Steve Nixon is deployed to Douglas County assisting with a vaccine clinic
- Melissa Herzog has joined the District as a new Administrative Assistant she will be working with the Health, Safety and Emergency Preparedness division
- He is working with the Gig Harbor City Council regarding reducing the number of days fireworks are allowed in the City

Chief Dennis Doan reported:

- During the May 25, 2021 Board meeting, there will be a ceremony to recognize 2020-21 retirees
- He is conducting department-wide employee training this month
- He conducted a two-day off-site with his leadership team to develop teamwork, set goals, discuss roles and responsibilities, etc.
- His team began work to create a new organizational chart; requested additional time to complete task, needing other changes to take place first
- He is reorganizing/reassigning Assistant Chiefs, as follows:
 - o Promote Nick Langlow to A/C of Finance & Administration
 - Move John Johnson to A/C of Logistics & IT
 - o Move Dan Bjurstrom to A/C of Health, Safety & Emergency Preparedness
 - Keep Todd Meyer as A/C of Operations
- He will be conducting interviews for the B/C and LT positions created by Nick Langlow's promotion

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Nelson reported there was a Capital Facilities meeting about Station 51 yesterday, they are close to having plans done for 51 and then will begin working on the training campus plans.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

a. Pierce County – Contract for Fire Protection Services. Chief Bjurstrom presented a contract to provide fire protection services to Pierce County with a recommendation the

Board approve as proposed. Commissioners Sutich and Entze moved and seconded approval of the Contract for Fire Protection Services. After a brief discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED**, with Commissioners Entze, Sutich and Wilsie voting yes; Commissioner Nelson abstained.

PUBLIC COMMENT

GOOD OF THE ORDER

SPECIAL INTERESTS/UPCOMING EVENTS

Commissioner Nelson urged anyone wanting to get vaccinated to take advantage of availability. Chief John Johnson echoed there is plenty of opportunity out there for anyone who wants to get the vaccine.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Wilsie adjourned the meeting at 5:22pm. The next regular meeting will be 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 2021.

Alex Wilsie (May 25, 2021 10:24 PDT)

Chairman/Commissioner

Thomas A Sutich (May 13, 2021 16:19 PDT)

Commissioner

Kevin L Entze (May 13, 2021 7.06 PDT)

Commissioner

Bryce Nelson (May 15, 2021 10:35 PDT)

Commissioner

Joe Urv na (May 13, 2021 17:38 PDT

Commissioner

Attest: District Secretary